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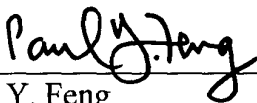
Applicant submits this preliminary amendment along with the enclosed divisional application under Rule § 1.53(b). In this preliminary amendment, applicant has canceled claims 2-4 and 12-19 without prejudice, amended claims 1 and 6-11, and added new claims 20-34. The amendments to the claims and the subject matter of the new claims have support in the specification as originally filed. No new matter has been added.

After entry of this amendment, claims 1, 5-11 and 20-34 are pending in the present divisional application. Applicant respectfully requests that all amendments be entered.

The enclosed application papers include a copy of the parent application as originally filed, with the last two erroneously numbered claims 16 and 17 renumbered as claims 18 and 19. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-2425 in connection with this paper. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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